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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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23/08/2013: Look for Augusto I2JJR/6, Fiorello IZ6YLM/p and Silvino IW6NZY/p to be active on 23 August 2013 from Riserva Naturale [Natural Reserve] Lama Bianca di Sant'Eufemia a Maiella, Abruzzo, WWFF reference IFF-116. The team will be QRV on 40m, then 20m and up, SSB only, beginning about 07:00 UTC (weather allowing). QSL via home calls, bureau or direct. [I2JJR]

23/08/2013: Bodo, DF8DX, plans to be active as KT3Q/7 on 23rd and 24th August 2013 from Whidbey Island (NA-065, USi WA-001S, WLOTA 3618), Island County, State of Washington. QRV on the HF bands, CW only. QSL direct or bureau to DF8DX. Website: www.qrz.com/db/DF8DX [rsgbiota.org]

23/08/2013: Hans, ON6ZK, will be active holiday style as SV5/ON6ZK/p from the island of Kos (EU-001, GIOTA DKS-043, MIA MGD-016, WLOTA 1730) from 23-30 August, 2013. QRV on 20 metre SSB (14170 kHz) and CW (14050 kHz) using FT857 at 50 Watts to a fishstick pole as a 1/4 vertical from the hotel balcony. QSL preferred via the bureau, direct with SASE. [NG3K]

23/08/2013: A team consisting Gil F4FET, Juan F5IRC, Vincent F4BKV, Antoine F5RAB, Marc F8DRA and Diego F4HAU plan to be active as TM0SM from Ile du Large [Iles Saint Marcouf] (EU-081, DIFM MA-001, WW Loc. IN99KL) from 23-25 August, 2013. They will also activate Ile du Large lighthouse (DPLF PB-052, ARLHS FRA 055, TWLHD WLH F-061, WLOTA 0060) and the Fort de l'Ile du Large (DFCF 50-013, WCA F-02100). Plans are to be QRV on 40 metre to 6 metre SSB and CW. QSL via F5CWU, direct or bureau. Further information is available on their website at: tm0sm.webs.com/ [DX World]

24/08/2013: The members of Radio Club Delta will be active as EM7UT from 24th till 27th of August 2013 from Tumasch Fortress (WCA UR-00215, UCFA KO-010, URDA KO-22, URA 048, WW Loc. KO50GD), located near river of Stugn in Staryе Bezradich, Obukhov area. They plan to work on all HF bands CW and SSB. QSL via UR7UT, bureau or direct. [WCA]

24/08/2013: Dmitry RA3VLD, Alexander RA3VMD, Alexander RA3VMX, Andrej RW3VZ, Yuri UA3VLO, Mikhail UA3VLT and other operators will be active on the 24th of August 2013 from Alexandrovsky Kremlin (WCA UA-00078, COTA-RU C-315), located near Vladimir City. They will use the special callsing R500AK to celebrate 500 years of Alexandrovsky Kremlin, on 20 and 40 metre CW and SSB from 07:00 UTC. QSL via RK3VWA, bureau or direct. [WCA]

24/08/2013: Look for Bodo, DF8DX, to be active from Bowen Island (NA-091, CIsA BC-078, Grid Loc. CN89) on 24th and 25th August 2013. CW only activity on the HF bands using the callsign VE7/DF8DX. QSL via home call, direct or bureau and LoTW. [rsgbiota.org]

24/08/2013: Adhi, YB3MM, will be active as YB3MM/p from Bawean Island (OC-197, WLOTA 0269) on 24th and 25th August, 2013. Operations may be postponed or cancelled depending on the weather. Activity will be on 20 and 15 metres using a Kenwood TS-450 into monobander beams. QSL via IZ8CCW, direct or PayPal. For updates, watch his Web Blog page at: www.yb3mm.com/ [OPDX Bulletin]

25/08/2013: Eddy, ON6EF, will be active on the 25th of August 2013 from Schloss Waln (WCA DL-03552, COTA-DL KAB-036) located near Cologne, Germany. He plans to work as DL/ON6EF/p on 20 and 40 metres from 08:30 till 14:30 UTC, using TS-450s and Inverted V antenna. QSL via home call, bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to WCA E-Log. [WCA]

25/08/2013: Marc, PE1FJN, will visit Ruegen Island (EU-057, DID O-007, WLOTA 1712) with his family from 18-31 August, 2013. During his spare time Marc plans to be QRV as DL/PE1FJN/p using Elecraft K1 2.5 Watts and Buddipole GP. He will focus his activity on 30m CW. QSL direct or bureau to PE1FJN. Website: www.qrz.com/db/PE1FJN [rsgbiota.org]

25/08/2013: The members of IQ2IR (Insubria Radio Club) will be active on the 25th of August 2013 from Caserma Cantine di Gandria (WCA HB-00910, DCS-SSD TI-075) located in Lugano. They plan to work on 40 and others bands CW/SSB as HB9IRC/p from 08:30 UTC. QSL via HB9OCR, only bureau. [WCA]

25/08/2013: Operators Claudio HB9EFJ, Fiorenzo HB9FAQ, Mauro HB9FBG, Max HB9TUZ and others will be active as HB9IRC/p from Biotopo Petmoss of Bolle di San Martino Vezia (WWFF HBFF-037) on 25th August, 2013. Activity by Associazione Radioamatori Lugano - HB9LUG. QRV beginning from 08:00 UTC (weather allowing!) on 40 metres and up, using CW and SSB. QSL via bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [HB9TZA, HBFF Team]

28/08/2013: Fabien, F4GYM and Denis, F4GTT will be active on the 28th of August 2013 from the Chateau le Manor de La Croix Sainte Marthe (WCA F-06046, DFCF 77-188). They plan to work as homecalls/p on 40 and 20 metre SSB. QSL via their home calls, bureau or direct. [WCA]

28/08/2013: Operators John YB5NOF, Anton YB5QZ, Joni YB9WZJ, Johana YB8NLF, Jimmy YB8OUF and Willy YE5WM will be active as YE5T from Tambelan Island (OC-122) between 28th August to 1st September, 2013. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via W2FB, direct with SASE, IRC, or 2 USD. QSL also OK via the W2 bureau. [DX World]

29/08/2013: Fred, PA1FJ, will be active as SV8/PA1FJ/p from the island of Chios (EU-049, GIOTA NAS-002, MIA MG-025, WLOTA 4103) between 29th August and 9th September, 2013. Activity is planned for 40-6m SSB and CW, QRP, using FT-817 with Buddi-Stick/HighEndfed. QSL is preferred via the Dutch QSL bureau (Box 330, NL-6800 AH Arnhem, The Netherlands). [rsgbiota.org]

30/08/2013: Peri, HB9IQB, will be in Bethlehem (WW Loc. KM72PA), Palestine, again signing E44PM in late August. He will be using his K2/100 and wire verticals. Logs will be uploaded daily both onto LoTW and Club Log. QSL via LoTW preferred, also bureau or direct to HB9IQB. No specific dates were given. Website: www.hb9iqb.ch/palestine.html [DX World]

30/08/2013: EA3EGB, Manel and EA3AKA, Gabriel plan to be active from Medas Island (EU-078, DIE E-001, WLOTA 0793, Grid Loc. JN12), les Illes Medes Natural Park (WWFF EAFF-190), between 30th August and 2nd September, 2013. QRV as EF3EGB, look for them on 160-6 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via EA3EGB. [DX World]

30/08/2013: Bert, PD1SA, will be active as YB1/PD1SA from West Java (OC-021, WLOTA 1660), Indonesia, between 30th August and 28th September, 2013. QRV mostly on 20 metre SSB, but he may also be on 80 and 40 metres. Bert will use a Yaesu FT-857 into a fine wire antenna. QSL via home call. [OPDX Bulletin]

LOOKING AHEAD -

31/08/2013: Malaysian Special Expedition Team, 9M2SE, will be active from Pulau Indah (IOTA AS-074) in celebration of Malaysia's 56th independence day. On air from 31st August 2013 0000 UTC to 1st September 2013 0900 UTC, the team are looking for DX stations to share their anniversary?s fun. QRV on 40-10m CW and SSB. Operating equipment will be 100 watt transceivers, vertical and a tri-bander yagi. QSL via 9W2RUT, direct or bureau. Log will be uploaded to LoTW. [DX World]

04/09/2013: Hiroo, JA2VWG and Seihachi, JA7LU will be active from Pohnpei Island (OC-010) as V63DDD and V63LU between 4-16 September, 2013. QRV on 40-6m; SSB and RTTY. QSL only direct to homecalls, (SASE + 1IRC or 3USD from overseas. No Buro is available). [DX World]

18/09/2013: Randy, AJ7G, and his wife are planning their next funxpedition to activate Cedar Key (NA-076, USi FL-485S), Levy County, Florida, from 18-19 September 2013. They plan on operating on 20, 17 and 15 metre USB and Digital if possible. The equipment will be a Yaesu FT-2000d and an FT-897d as a back up. Antenna will be a buddipole mounted in the back of my pick up with a special mounting assembly for added height and sturdiness. They will be staying at the Low Key Hideaway Motel in Cedar Key. QSL direct to home call (Randy R Woods, 3205 NW 76th Lane, Jennings, FL 32053, USA). NO BUREAU CARDS SORRY! [rsgbiota.org]

24/09/2013: Nick, G3RWF, mentions that he's off to Uganda (5X1NH) on 24th September until 16 November, 2013. He will be meeting up with Alan G3XAQ (5X1XA) and both then plan to head to the outskirts of Kigali (WW Loc. KI47TS), Rwanda (9X0NH) on 19th November for 10 days. Participation from Rwanda during CQWW DX CW contest (23-24 November). QSL via home call (see QRZ.com). [DX World]

26/09/2013: George K3GP, Jamie WW3S and Ray ND8L will be active from Hamilton Parish, Bermuda (NA-005, WW Loc. FM72PI) between 26-30th September 2013 as VP9/K3GP, VP9/WW3S and VP9/ND8L. During the CQWW DX RTTY Contest (28-29 September) they will sign VP9I as a Multi-Op entry. QSL via home calls. QSL VP9I via WW3S. [DX World]

26/10/2013: Operators Clarence WX7E, Ron WJ7R, Mike W7RIS, Mike W7MJJ and Terry KS5Z will be active from the island of Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) as a Multi-Two entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 26-27th). Callsign TBD. QSL via LoTW is preferred. [NG3K]

19/11/2013: Mike, AJ9C, plans to be active from Grenada (WW Loc. EK71AU), Nicaragua, as YN2CC from 19-27 November, 2013. QRV on 160-6 metres, mainly CW. Mike will also participate in the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry, CQ zone 7. QSL direct to AJ9C (QRZ.com). [NG3K]

19/11/2013: Olaf G0CKV, Oliver W6NV, and Jorma OH2KI will be active from Ascension Island (AF-003, WLOTA 1491, Grid Loc. II22) as ZD8M, ZD8W and ZD8X, respectively, from 19-24 November, 2013. QRV on HF and 6 metres before the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November). During the contest they will participate as Single-Op/Single-Band entries with ZD8M on 40m, ZD8W 15m and ZD8X on 10m. QSL via their home calls. [NG3K]

21/11/2013: A Japanese contest expedition to the island of Grenada (NA-024, WLOTA 0718) will take place from 21-29 November, 2013. Team members include Tak JA1MZL, Ted JJ1LIB, Naoki JN1RVS, Masa JN3NFQ and Isao JH1ROJ. QRV as J3/homecall on all bands and modes, including a Multi-Single entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November) from CQ zone 8, callsign TBA. QSL via home calls. [NG3K]

23/11/2013: Henning, OU2I (aka OZ1BII), will be active from Kangerlussuaq, Greenland (NA-018, WLOTA 0072, WWFF OZFF-006) as XP2I for the CQWW DX CW Contest (23-24 November). He plans a Single-Op/Low-Power entry from CQ zone 40. QSL via LoTW. [NG3K]

SPECIAL EVENTS -

24/08/2013: The special event station GB558VUL is operating to support an effort of getting the last Vulcan XH558 aircraft back into the air. QRV 124 August - 1 September; and 7-8 September, 2013. QSL via bureau, direct via M0JEC, and eQSL upon request. Websites: www.vulcantothesky.org/ and www.operation2015.org/ [DXNL]

24/08/2013: It was announced that French YLs will be gathering in Sarayonne on August 24th, 2013. To celebrate this event, look for special event station TM5SIA to be active until that day. Activity will be on the HF bands and 2 metres. YL operators mentioned Aline F4GPA, Christine F4GDI, Maryse F4HBC, Sophie F4DHQ, Marie F5UAY, Brigitte F4DPD and Danielle F0GLR (2m op!). QSL via F5KCC or eQSL. Further information can be found at: www.ref-union.net/yls/fr/meeting-2013-fr [OPDX Bulletin]

24/08/2013: For the 120th anniversary of Tama-area's Jurisdiction Transfer from Kanagawa-pref. to Tokyo-pref., island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan, special event station 8J120TAM will be active on all bands and modes between 24th August and the end of the year 2013. QSL via the JARL bureau. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

24/08/2013: Special event station 8J1FARC will be active on all bands and modes between 24th August and 30th October for the 2013 Fukaya-city (JCC 1318) Comprehensive Disaster-preparedness Drill, the 45th anniversary of Fukaya Amateur Radio Club and the 10th Anniversary of Its Club Station JQ1YDL. Fukaya-city is located in Saitama prefecture, Kanto region, island of Honshu (AS-007, WLOTA 2376), Japan. QSL via the bureau is preferred. [JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

24/08/2013: Members of the Union de Radioaficionados de Donostia (URD) will activate the Spanish special event station EH200D from La Mota Castle (DCE VA-004, WCA EA-05364) between 24-25th August 2013, and then again from the URD HQ (EA2URD) between 31st August and 1st September. Activity is to commemorate the bicentenary of the reconstruction of Donostia- San Sebastian. QSL via EA2URD. More detailed info is available on QRZ.com and on the Web page: www.ea2urd2013.blogspot.com.es [OPDX Bulletin]

26/08/2013: The TC Special Wireless Activity Team will be active as TC42A between 26-31 August 2013 in Memoriam of the 42nd Giresun Volunteer Regiment. All of the QSOs will be confirmed automatically via the bureau. Website: www.tcswat.org/ [TCSWAT]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -
23/08-30/08 SV5/ON6ZK/P: Nisos Kos WLOTA:1730 QSL H/c (d/B)
23/08-25/08 TM0SM: St. Marcouf DPLF:PB-052 WLH:F-061 WLOL:FRA-055 WLOTA:0060 QSL F5CWU (d/B)
24/08-31/12 8J120TAM: Honshu WLOTA:2376 QSL Buro
24/08-30/10 8J1FARC: Honshu WLOTA:2376 QSL Buro
24/08-01/09 GB558VUL: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL M0JEC (d/B)
24/08-25/08 YB3MM/P: Pulau Bawean WLOTA:0269 QSL IZ8CCW (d)
29/08-09/09 SV8/PA1FJ/P: Nisos Chios WLOTA:4103 QSL H/c (B)
30/08-02/09 EF3EGB: Islas Medas WLOTA:0793 QSL EA3EGB (d/B)
30/08-28/09 YB1/PD1SA: Java WLOTA:1660 QSL H/c (d/B)

6 METRES & UP -

23/08-25/08 TM0SM: St. Marcouf EU-081 Grid:IN99KL 6m CW/SSB QSL F5CWU (d/B)
24/08-25/08 Kansas QSO Party 6m/2m classes 24 1400z-25 2000z
25/08 Field Day Sicilia 50MHz CW/SSB 0700z-1500z
25/08 IRTS 2M Counties Contest SO/FM only/HP/LP 1400-1600 local
25/07-31/07 OH1K: Kaunissaari Isl EU-140 Grid:KP30 6m SSB/Digi QSL OH1JO (d/B)
27/08 LY 2.4GHz & Up Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 1700z-2059z
27/08 NRAU Microwave Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 1700z-2100z
27/08 The 50MHz Open Cumulative SO/MO/LP/MP/HP 1700z-2100z
27/08 RSGB 50MHz UKAC SO Fixed/Open 1900z-2130z
28/08 SKCC Straight Key Sprint 6m class 0000z-0200z

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_aug.html

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/

QSL INFO -

The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:
D2CT - Angola
2013 Operation
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Bill Moore NC1L
Awards Branch Manager

QSLs via Bureau: 5P4MG, 6W7SK, 8J1MORSE, 9M6DXX, C4C, DK4M, DP4D, ED1R, EN2012UEFA, F/ON6JUN/p, FS/N0BSH, HB0/ON6NB, HG2011N, JG8NQJ/JD1, JY9ET, KP4RV, LZ1620PPZ, LZ969SCP, MU/PA9M, OE2013B, OE2013SFG, OE2013WLE, OE2013XFS, OE3K, OG3077F, P3F, PJ2/AA1M, PJ7/K3TC, RN3DMU, RP67NF, S9MX, SV5/SM8C, TI5/K9NW, TM1O, UN9L, V63KZ, VK3JMB, VO1/K5KG, VP2V/K9NW, XF3/IZ2LSC, Z21BB, ZA/LZ1UQ, ZD8F and ZF2JT.

QSLs via Direct: 5X8C (F1NGP), 6Y5/G3SWH (G3SWH/OQRS), 8Q7DV (R9DX), D64K (IV3DSH), FO/UT6UD [Austral] (H/c), FO/UT6UD [Marquesas] (H/c), JT1CO (QRZ.com), OJ0R (G3TXF) and VR2XMT (QRZ.com).

QSLs via LoTW: DR1A, E44PM, EA1PO, EB1TR, HV0A, JO1COV, PY0F/PP1CZ, RX6LG, V51YJ, V6B and ZK3N.

LINKS -
CIsA (Canadian Islands Award Program) at: www.qsl.net/ve3tpz/cisa/
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
NAQCC (North America QRP CW Club) at: naqcc.info/
USi (U.S. Islands Award Program) at: www.usislands.org/
VEFF - Canada Flora & Fauna at: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
VEFF Yahoo! Group at: groups.yahoo.com/group/VEFF/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WLA (World Lakes Award) at: worldlakes.info/
WWFF (World-Wide Flora & Fauna) at: www.wwff.co/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/

BITS & PIECES -

3B9, RODRIGUEZ ISLAND
The 3B9EME Team Update:
At last we have received all permits from the authorities in Mauritius. The call

3B9EME for V-UHF and for HF is confirmed. Locator MH10qh. We will be active with 2 stations simultaneously on the HF bands in modes: CW, SSB, RTTY, JT65hf, PSK31. Operators will be: I3VJW (cw & digital) - I3LDP (ssb) - IZ3KIF and IK5MIC (ssb & digital). [DX World]

JY, JORDAN
Jovica, E78A (ex. 6W1SJ, 9K2/T94FC, ST0RM, ST2A, T94FC, T98A, TT8JT) just started his activity from Amman, Jordan as JY9FC (20 August 2013). As per previous activities, he will be QRV during free time mostly on CW with some SSB and digital. QSL via E73Y: Boris Knezovic, P.O. Box 59, 71000 Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, or via E7 bureau. Clublog OQRS will be activated after first logs are received from Jovica. [DX World]

LoTW NEWS
Trusted QSL 1.14.3 is now publicly released and available at:
http://www.arrl.org/trusted-qsl-download
Trusted QSL 2.0 is now in Beta test and available at:
http://www.arrl.org/trustedqsl-beta-release
TQSL 2.0 release notes are available at:
http://www.arrl.org/files/file/TrustedQSL-Beta/TrustedQSL-2-0-release.pdf

YE5R - ANAMBAS ISLAND (OC-108)
Further to initial info that an activation of OC-108 would occur after YE5T / YE5S DXpedition, dates are now confirmed for September 15-20, 2013. [DX World]
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73 and Good DX!
Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ
Home of I.C.P.O. & VEFF Program: www.qsl.net/va3rj/
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